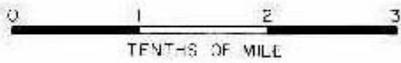


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BLACK LAKE

FOUR KENT TWP, ARDOSTOOK CO. MAINE

AREA 51 ACRES



BLACK LAKE

Fort Kent, Aroostook Co.
U.S.G.S. Daigle, Me (7.5')

Fishes

Brook trout
Minnows
Redbelly dace

Pearl dace
Banded killifish

Physical Characteristics

Area - 48 acres

Maximum depth - 15 feet

Principal fishery: Brook trout

Temperatures:

Surface - 67°F

15 feet - 64°F

Black Lake is located in the southeast corner of the township of Fort Kent. Black Lake is surrounded by hills that are a mixture fields and woodlands. The north shore is undeveloped and wooded while the south shore is developed with a few camps and year-round residences.

Black Lake was chemically reclaimed in 1968 to remove competing species of fish and allow intensive management for brook trout. A barrier dam was constructed on the outlet to prevent reentry of coarse fish. Minnows have become re-established in Black Lake, possibly through an incomplete kill during reclamation or by upstream migration over the barrier dam. During the summers of 1970 and 1971 gravel washing from nearby roads filled the pool below the barrier dam and reduced the drop sufficiently to allow fish to jump the dam. The erosion problem has since been corrected.

Water quality is suitable for brook trout though temperatures usually stay nearly the same from top to bottom during the summer. Cool spring seeps provide refuge for trout when lake temperatures are high.

Black Lake is approximately six miles from the town of Fort Kent and is reached by the South Perley Brook Road. A concrete boat ramp, parking area and picnic area are located on the south shore near the outlet.

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